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Others Decline.

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Messrs. Butler & Co. stated that they were not in sympathy with the petition, and that if there was available property in Richmond selling for \$5 per foot they would know of it. They said that they were for annexation and against the petition.

Mr. H. L. Cabell said that he was opposed to the petition for annexation with reasonable bounds.

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"We will take all the desirable property that is offered at \$5 per foot," said Mr. Pizzini, "but we will not take any property that sells for less than \$5 per foot."

Mr. Blair's Position.

Aladen Blair said yesterday that he had been somewhat misunderstood in the statement he gave over the telephone Saturday night. Blair said he did not mean to convey the impression that he had polled the Board of Aldermen or the members of the Board of Supervisors, but had pledged themselves to vote against annexation. "On the contrary," Mr. Blair continued, "I am decidedly in favor of annexation, and I am not voting against it."

"I am not," said Mr. Blair, "opposed to all annexation. I am in favor of the annexation of the city of Richmond, except that I wish the Cedar Works left out of the city, want Fairmount taken in and object to the annexation of the Heights, the Chestnut Hill, Sherwood Park, and favor extending the north line only so far as the central station Creek bridge, and the city limits to the western and southern lines as proposed by the committee."

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less experience with public affairs, and less acquaintance with the business of the people.

So far as is known he had never written a political article, made a public speech, or held a public office until elected.

He was absolutely unknown to the people, although he might have been personally known to a majority of the Legislature.

Willard and Ellyson.

The Governor was followed by Lieutenant-Governor Willard and Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson, candidates respectively for Governor and for Lieutenant-Governor. Mr. Willard spoke about twenty minutes, and Mr. Ellyson followed in a speech of about fifteen minutes.

Governor Montague came up Sunday and was the guest of ex-Mayor M. G. Willis of this city, until this morning, when he drove to the State House.

Sunday night and Mr. Ellyson came up this morning, the two driving out to the State House together to-day. Ex-Mayor Willis, Captain M. B. Rowe and Mr. J. R. Rawlings accompanied the Governor to Spotsylvania.

At the forenoon the candidates mingled with the crowd on the court green, shaking hands with friends, making acquaintances and exchanging courtesies. Judge Mason inquired what time the various speakers desired, and considered adjourning court at about 1 P. M.

It was about 1 P. M. when Dr. C. R. Massey, Democratic county chairman, called the meeting of county people to order in the court room. He presided during the speaking and introduced the speakers. The court-room was well filled, not to say crowded, the number present being conservatively estimated at between 300 and 400 persons.

Governor Montague was very well received by his friends, some of whom are his personal acquaintances, and by the additional friends and supporters by his speech. He and the other speakers were well pleased with the reception, and the various speeches. The sentiment was in favor of the candidates, and there was no interruption, all giving close attention.

Lieutenant-Governor Willard made a very pleasing speech, reviewing and elaborating the policies for which he stood as outlined in his address announcing his candidacy. His speech was well received.

Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson, the last speaker, referred to his long service and great interest in the cause of public education and to his acquaintance with the people, and reminded his hearers of his presence at Spotsylvania Courthouse about forty years ago, when he presided over a resolution offered by him in 1888 asking that the Senate Committee on Public Institutions inquire into and report a resolution providing for striking convicts on the public roads. That was nearly twenty years ago.

Governor Montague and Lieutenant-Governor Ellyson will make an address to the people of that county and vicinity on York county court day.

President Off for Southwest.

Washington about two months. Deloitte plans to go on a trip to the States, but he has not been made, the purpose of the President being to adjust his plans to the conditions as they may exist at the time. While he expects to be in the States for the latter part of the year, he will keep in constant touch by means of couriers, to the nearest telegraph station with Washington, and thus be enabled to attend to such important business as may demand his personal attention.

He last stepped from the platform of the President was his physician in New York, and has hunted throughout the country which the President will visit.

AT HARRISBURG.

President Says He Has Left Taft Sitting on the Lid.

HARRISBURG, PA., April 3.—"I don't exactly say that I need a rest, but I am going to take it," said President Roosevelt to-day, standing on the platform by his special car in the Pennsylvania station.

It was suggested to the President that things would not go along in a smooth manner if he were absent. "Oh, things will be all right," he said. "I have left Taft sitting on the lid of the box, and he will take care of the business."

When the train came in the crowd was on the station balcony and gave the President a cheer as he stepped from the platform. He stood on the platform waving his hand to the crowd, and fairly beaming with good nature. When the train stopped, the President stepped from the platform with the remark to a secret officer, "Pass right along now, and if this crowd is not too large I'll shake with all of you."

At this there was a rush to shake hands with him. Mr. W. H. Wood, who was handed up to him, he said, "God bless the children," and then, turning to Congressman Olmstead, he said, "You know I believe in these children."

To one old soldier with a button in his coat, the President said, "Now are you, comrade?"

It was 1:30 and as the train moved off, one man proposed three cheers for the President. The crowd gave three cheers, and the President laughed heartily at the familiarity.

His last remark, as the train got up speed, was a hearty "So long, boys! good bye."

Arrives at Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, PA., April 3.—The special train bearing President Roosevelt and his party en route to the southwest, arrived in Pittsburg at 4 o'clock to-night. The trip from Washington was without special incident. At 9:15 the train continued on its journey.

FLEET SETS OUT FOR VLADIVOSTOK.

Restiveness Writes to Wife That Departure From Madagascar Is Final.

RUSSIA WILL CONTINUE WAR TO Bitter End.

General Desire in Official Circles to Fight to Bitter End, Says McCormick.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG, April 4.—A letter from Vice Admiral Rojestvensky to his wife, which has just been received here, indicates that the departure of the second Pacific squadron from Madagascar waters is final, and that it is now on the way to Vladivostok. In the letter the Admiral wrote that the sailing of the squadron had been fixed for March 18th.

He naturally avoided mention of the route, which was intended to follow on the voyage eastward. The Admiral wrote that he had admitted knowledge of this determination of Vice Admiral Rojestvensky, and stated that no contrary orders had been sent him. It is understood that a rendezvous with Vice Admiral Nebogatoff's division of the Baltic squadron is not contemplated.

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It does no good to take stimulants and narcotics, for their effect is but a temporary relief which merely postpones the final day of reckoning.

There is nothing new about this—nothing any physician would dispute. But it remained for Dr. Shoop to apply this knowledge to put it to practical use. Dr. Shoop's Restorative, along this very line, it does not do the organ to weaken the nerves, but it does go to the nerve—the inside nerve—the power nerve—and builds it up, and strengthens it and makes it well. That is the end of all trouble. That is the end of sleepless nights and restless days. That is the end of "nervousness," the end of brain fog and fatigue.

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COURT AFFIRMS RECENT DECREE

Date for Issuance of Mandate in Northern Securities Suit Fixed for April 17th.

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WASHINGTON, April 4.—In the Supreme Court of the United States to-day the chief justice handed down the opinion of the court in the case of Hartman vs. the Northern Securities Company, the decision in which case was announced several weeks ago. The motion for the immediate issuance of the mandate was denied, the date for issuance being fixed for April 17th. After stating the case at length, the chief justice said:

"In the present case complainants seek the return of property delivered to the Securities Company pursuant to an executed contract of sale on the ground of the illegality of that contract. The record discloses no special considerations of equity, justice or public policy which would justify the courts in relaxing the rigor of the rule which bars a recovery."

"It is clear enough that the delivery to complainants of a majority of the total Northern Pacific stock and a retirable distribution of the remaining assets, the